



County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Social Services

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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Bryce Yokomizo, Director

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SUBJECT: GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)

As requested by your Board on June 15, 1999, attached is the report of key GROW statistics for December 2002 and an update on the GROW Program.

We have placed 927 GROW participants in jobs during the month of December. A total of 35,464 participants have found jobs.

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Attachments

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Community and Senior Services

GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW) DECEMBER 2002

MONTH	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT	JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS	JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS	JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS	JOB PLACEMENTS	SELF- INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)
2002	Scheduled	Showed	Scheduled	Showed	Completions (1)		Ongoing Enrollments
December	5,669	3,949 (70%)	1,966	1,100 (56%)	780	927	1,256

MONTH	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS	EDUCATION/ TRAINING	EDUCATION/ TRAINING	SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS	GROW CASELOAD	
2002	Scheduled	Showed	Started	Completions	(2)		SANCTIONS
December	514	407 (79%)	67	15	242	37,043	1,538

Note:

- (1) Job Skills Preparation Class completions counts should not be tied to the scheduled/show counts, as completions include participants who began the 3-week Job Skills Preparation Class in the previous month, but completed it in the report month.
- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

GROW UPDATE DECEMBER 2002

JOB PLACEMENTS

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 34,537 participants have become employed through the GROW program.

- Southwest Special GROW held recruitment activities on 12/3 and 12/31 with FedEx and Laidlaw. There were over 50 participants in attendance at these events.
- Rancho Park held an employer recruitment with Volt Agency on 12/2 and 12/3 with 20 participants in attendance.
- On 12/17, Pomona GROW held a recruitment activity with Goodwill Industries. There were 36 participants that attended this event and eight have been hired thus far.
- On 12/4, 12/5, 12/9, 12/13 and 12/19, Metro Special GROW held recruitment activities with FedEx, Laidlaw, CRST Trucking and Davis Security. Over 80 participants attended these activities and, to date, 19 have been hired.
- San Gabriel Valley held a recruitment activity with MTA on 12/12 with 12 participants in attendance.
- During the month of December, South Central GROW held employer recruitment activities with Venturi Staffing and Checkmate Staffing.
- Metro East held employment prep sessions on 12/6, 12/13, 12/20 and 12/27 for the Los Angeles County Ground Maintenance Worker program with over 40 participants in attendance.
- During the month of December, Lancaster GROW held a recruitment activity with Leaf's U Landscaping.

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

- On 12/16, representatives from all of the GROW sites attended an Expungement Workshop training held at Metro Special and conducted by Pepperdine Legal Aid. The purpose of the workshops is to provide GROW participants with information on accessing expungement services.
- Through December 2002, the cumulative participation rates for both Orientation and Job Skills Preparation Class continue to exceed 50%.